

Local Damage Prevention Committees

Local damage prevention committees are groups of stakeholders who are concerned about preventing damage to underground utilities.

By becoming an active member, you will have the opportunity to discuss, in an informal setting, your concerns and ideas related to preventing damage to underground utility lines, and become part of a local and statewide network of stakeholders through which important damage prevention information is communicated quickly and effectively.

Additionally, your local damage prevention committee fosters partnership! Developing partnerships with other stakeholders can result in open communication, problem solving and avoiding conflicts.

There is no cost to become a member, and in fact, regular participation at meetings builds "educational credits." Educational credits can be applied to reduce the amount of a potential civil penalty associated with a violation of the Miss Utility Law!

Local damage prevention committees meet on a regular basis in the following five geographic areas of the Commonwealth:



For more information on the next meeting in your area, contact the Virginia State Corporation at 804-371-9980, visit Miss Utility on the web at www.missutilityofvirginia.com (hyperlink "Events"), or contact one of the following committee chairpersons:

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